

of the housing of the mill-hands is one which has occupied the serious attention of the Directors; the desirability of providing them with accommodation close to the mill has induced the Directors to acquire on long leases some 24 acres of land on the north side of the Yangtze River upon which houses are now being built and are due to be completed in the course of the present year, which houses will afford to the workpeople the comforts which the workers can hardly fail in itself to be a paying out. With regard to the capital of the Company there still remains 362 shares unissued, which, as one stock now stands at a premium, can be placed with some advantage to the Company. The accounts which are submitted to you to-day are again a full statement of receipts and expenditure, it being understood at the present stage of operations to lay stress on a statement of working account. At the present time the accounts will be stated in the customary manner, though, in our first year's working, a year which must necessarily be largely one of organisation—too much is not to be looked for, yet I hope that we shall be able to show you sufficiently satisfactory results to confirm the belief which we all of us have in the success of the undertaking. Before proposing the adoption of the above resolution, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which you may wish to ask. I beg to move—"That the report and accounts as presented be passed."

Mr. Korf seconded.

Mr. Davis—May I ask what ground you have for your Chairman?—Tl. 5,500. We have a less for 29 years with a new assessment every 25 years. We have it for Tl. 5,500 for 25 years at present.

Mr. Davis—You have referred to certain stock not issued. Is it proposed to issue it to the present shareholders?

The Chairman—We propose to issue the stock to anyone who will take it. That has been the practice all along.

Mr. Davis—Seeing the stock at a premium I do not know how it might pay.

The Chairman—We have not considered the question of altering the present mode of issue. It is not proposed to issue stock at par, but to take any advantage of the premium we can get upon them for the benefit of the Company.

(Hear, hear.)

Mr. Davis—This is the point I wish to ascertain.

The Chairman then put the motion which was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. M. Young moved, and Mr. W. D. Little seconded—"That Messrs. Peacock and Do King, the retiring Directors, be re-elected."

Carried.

Mr. Davis moved, and Mr. Dunforth seconded—"That Mr. G. R. Whgrave be re-elected, and that his fee be Tl. 250 per annum."

Carried.

Mr. Davis, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Chairman, took the opportunity of endorsing all he said referring to the architect, Mr. J. Chambers. (Applause.) He thought it must be a great satisfaction to the shareholders to find the architect a gentleman who expressed the hope since the entrance had been so well, that it would continue.

This concluded the meeting.—N. C. Daily News.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The following telegrams are from Australian papers received by H. & J. steamer *Auris*—

THE JESUIT LAW IN GERMANY.

London, 2nd April.

The German Reichstag has adopted a motion in favour of the abrogation of the law relating to Jesuits.

RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION IN RUSSIA.

London, 5th April.

Russia is borrowing 43,000,000 for the purpose of railway construction within the Empire.

SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 4th April.

The leaders of the Afrikander Bond are much alarmed at the situation in South Africa, and have warned President Kruger that he is friendless in Europe, and also that he cannot remain in South Africa.

The *One Land*, organ of the Dutch party, says that the Queen's wish for a peaceful jubilee alone prevents the sending of 20,000 British troops to South Africa.

London, 7th April.

The *Manchester Guardian* states that the Government is prepared in the event of war to send an army corps to the Cape under the command of General Sir Redvers Buller, V.C.

African from South Africa, who are fighting has taken place in Boerland between the volunteers and the rebel natives under the chief (Goliath). The volunteers attacked the rebels in the Limpopo Range.

On the side of the volunteers Lieutenant Harris was killed, and six troopers were wounded. The natives lost heavily.

London, 9th April.

President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has had his attention drawn to a telegram which has been published stating that the Orange Free State was hostile to Great Britain.

The President ignored the telegram as being beneath his notice.

BRITISH FOOD SUPPLIES IN TIME OF WAR.

London, 7th April.

In the House of Commons last night a motion was adopted directing the attention of the Government to the question of food supplies for Great Britain in the event of war.

Mr. H. St. John, M.P. for St. Helens, suggested the establishment of a Royal Commission with the view of pronouncing food supplies from the colonies, and the formation of State granaries.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, replied that the creation of an Imperial Zollverein would not touch the difficulty of a blockade of the coast. He was fairly confident that Britain could meet any possible combination, and with the aid of the United States they could meet the world.

THE UNITED STATES.

London, 7th April.

The Mayoral elections in the State of Ohio have resulted in heavy Democratic gains. The results indicate a dislike to the new tariff proposals. Among the successful candidates were many supporters of Mr. W. Bryan, the Democratic candidate at the last Presidential election.

A JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT.

London, 9th April.

John Stratford Dringal, Q.C., Recorder of Birmingham, has been appointed to succeed Sir Arthur Charles as one of the Justices of the Queen's Bench Division.

OBITUARY.

London, 8th April.

The death is announced of Dr. Von Stephan, the German Secretary of State for Posts and Telegraphs.

CRIMINAL LAW AMENDMENT BILL.

London, 9th April.

In the House of Commons last night the second reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill was carried. The measure entitles the Queen's Bench to give evidence in their own behalf, and allows a witness to stand to be called to give compulsory evidence against other persons in a criminal case. The provisions of the bill will apply to England and Scotland. Mr. A. K. Lloyd, Q.C., M.P. for Abingdon, Sir G. C. Morgan, Q.C., M.P. for East Durham, and Mr. E. Carson, Q.C., M.P. for Dublin University, opposed the bill.

Sir Edward Clarke, Q.C., M.P. for Plymouth, who supported the measure, said that it would be to the means of removing the last remaining relics of barbarism.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

London, 8th April.

At a meeting of the Institute of Naval Architects last night, the Earl of Bessborough, who presided, said he trusted that a plan would be devised for covering the old pattern ironclads in the navy into vessels of the latest standard.

London, 9th April.

At the annual meeting of the Institution of Naval Architects, the Earl of Bessborough, Bessie, first stated that it was proposed to cover all of the older-pattern ironclads in the navy so as to render them effective at a cost equal to the amount that would be required for the construction of a line-of-battle ship and a cruiser.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

London, 9th April.

The Canadian House of Commons has unanimously passed the second reading of the Alien Labour Bill, a fissile of the Alien Labour Act, passed by the United States Congress, which is intended to prohibit the entry of Americans as a means for the breaking of the American Act towards Canadian workmen.

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier, said that

Canada was unwilling to retaliate against the United States, but was compelled to do so, and for this reason the American form of legislation had been adopted.

GREAT BRITAIN AND PRANCE.—CHARGES AGAINST BRITAIN.

London, 4th April.

In the House of Commons Mr. de Viliers declared that British manufacturers caused the wars in Siam and Madagascar, and he asserted that he had official proof that England had instigated the assassination of Frenchmen.

The remarks of Mr. Viliers caused a great sensation in the Chamber.

In the course of his reply Mr. Huntson, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, said that France would not permit Great Britain to interfere in Madagascar.

BRITISH TRADE.

London, 7th April.

According to the returns of the Board of Trade, the imports into the United Kingdom during the month of March show an increase in value of 22,288,394, and the exports an increase of 22,167,546, which compared with the same months of the previous year.

The results of the present year are again a slight statement of receipts and expenditure, it being understood that the figures will afford to the workpeople the comforts which the workers can hardly fail in itself to be a paying out.

With regard to the capital of the Company there still remains 362 shares unissued, which, as one stock now stands at a premium, can be placed with some advantage to the Company.

The accounts which are submitted to you to-day are again a full statement of receipts and expenditure, it being understood that the figures will afford to the workpeople the comforts which the workers can hardly fail in itself to be a paying out.

It may be taken by itself or with Pure or Mineral or Soda Water, and with Coffee or Wine.

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(TERO CHINA BISLERI)

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INTIMATIONS.

BANKS.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL..... 40,000,000

SUBSCRIBED..... 21,125,000

Paid up..... 6,562,500

PAID UP.....

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.

OF FIXED DEPOSITS—

For 12 months..... 4%

6 "..... 3%

3 "..... 2%

1 "..... 1%

1/2 "..... 1%

1/4 "..... 1%

1/8 "..... 1%

1/16 "..... 1%

1/32 "..... 1%

1/64 "..... 1%

1/128 "..... 1%

1/256 "..... 1%

1/512 "..... 1%

1/1024 "..... 1%

1/2048 "..... 1%

1/4096 "..... 1%

1/8192 "..... 1%

1/16384 "..... 1%

1/32768 "..... 1%

1/65536 "..... 1%

1/131072 "..... 1%

1/262144 "..... 1%

1/524288 "..... 1%

1/1048576 "..... 1%

1/2097152 "..... 1%

1/4194304 "..... 1%

1/8388608 "..... 1%

1/16777216 "..... 1%

1/33554432 "..... 1%

1/67108864 "..... 1%

1/134217728 "..... 1%

1/268435456 "..... 1%

1/536870912 "..... 1%

1/107374184 "..... 1%

1/214748368 "..... 1%

1/429496736 "..... 1%

1/858993472 "..... 1%

1/171798694 "..... 1%

1/343597388 "..... 1%

1/687194776 "..... 1%

1/137438952 "..... 1%

1/274877884 "..... 1%

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
"BICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF
STEAMERS.NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM MIDDLESHI TO AND HAMMURG.
THE Company's Steamship.

"DOROTHIEA BICKMERS" having arrived at the above ports. Consignment of cargo are hereby informed that the Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON on the 7th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th May will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1897. [1046]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ARGYLL" FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored under the charge of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th May, or they will be despatched for the above ports.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODD WELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1897. [881]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship.

"GERDA" Captain T. E. Ebdon having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODD WELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th April, 1897. [1032]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

"ROHILLA" Captain T. E. Ebdon having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th April, 1897. [1032]

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1897. [1]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship.

"GLENLOCHY" having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignments are requested to present all claims for damage and/or shortage not later than the 17th inst. otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1074]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM NEW YORK AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship.

"GLENLOCHY" having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1073]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship.

"WALLY" Captain Behrens, having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1073]

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Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1076]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S TEAM
NAVIGATION CO., NY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.
THE Steamship.

"VENDICINA"

having arrived at the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON on the 7th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th May will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON on the 7th May.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [5]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEWPORT, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HYSON"

having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th May.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLIDAY WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [1077]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEWPORT, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship.

"TIENTSIN DIRECT"

having arrived from the above ports. Consignments of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th May.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLIDAY WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [1078]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEWPORT, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLIDAY WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [1079]

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FROM NEWPORT, GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, at 3 P.M.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLIDAY WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [1080]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.